PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, Alan M. Voorhees, an Alexandria resident who made important contributions to fields such as mapping, urban planning, the interstate highway system, airlines, collecting and philanthropy, died on December 18, 2005; and

WHEREAS, Alan M. Voorhees, an engineer who specialized in transportation projects, devised a mathematical model to predict traffic patterns which predicted the ebb and flow of traffic that has helped planners build highways, subway systems, shopping centers, apartment buildings and office complexes throughout the world; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Voorhees planned interstate highway systems and subway systems around the world, but remained curious enough to explore other fields, including funding the engineers who developed the electronic cash register and a bar-code system; and

WHEREAS, Alan M. Voorhees work affected the lives of countless people. His endowments to several university research centers impacted the field dramatically but he made headlines only when he donated 729 acres on the Rappahannock River as a nature preserve; and

WHEREAS, Alan Voorhees gave a research room to the T. C. Williams Library and donated a garden at the Beatley Library in his wife's name. He also volunteered his time, advice and services to the City of Alexandria including providing a committee of professionals to work on the development of the waterfront; and

WHEREAS, Alan M. Voorhees was a leader, visionary, educator and committed citizen who will be sorely missed in Alexandria and in the world;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, WILLIAM D. EUILLE, Mayor of the City of Alexandria, Virginia and on behalf of the Alexandria City Council, do hereby honor and remember:

"ALAN M. VOORHEES"

and are grateful for his numerous contributions to improving the quality of life for the citizens of Alexandria.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Seal of the City of Alexandria to be affixed this 11th day of April 2006.

WILLIAM D. EUILLE MAYOR

On behalf of the City Council

of Alexandria, Virginia

Jacqueline M. Henderson,	CMC	City Clerk

ATTEST: